

NINETY-SECOND YEAR.

ST. LOUIS, MO., TUESDAY, MAY 1, 1900.

CHICAGO GREETED ADMIRAL DEWEY.

Hero of Manila Receives a Great Ovation on His First Trip West.

Cannons Roar and People Cheer as He Rides Through the Streets—Reception in Ballroom Floor.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 29.—Chicago became the host of Admiral George Dewey shortly after 11 o'clock this morning and tendered him the first of the series of welcoming demonstrations which are to mark his stay of three days in the city.

Accompanied by Mrs. Dewey, Lieutenants Caldwell and Crawford, and the members of the Reception Committee, which had gone to South Chicago to greet the party, the hero of Manila arrived at the Grand Central Station ten minutes earlier than scheduled time. But this fact did not prevent several thousand persons from being on hand to greet him.

It had not been expected that the informal march from the depot to the Auditorium Annex should partake of anything approaching a general public welcome, but no sooner had the Admiral taken his seat in the carriage provided him than his features were recognized by the crowds which congested the streets, and a boy's piping shout, "Hurrah for Dewey," was taken up in an instant and did not stop away until it reached the Board of Trade building.

Cheered All the Way.
At every step of the march the volume of sound increased, assisted materially by the guns of the United States steamer Morrill, anchored in the basin of the Lake Front Park, and the batteries of the militia. The decorations exhibited along the route were augmented by thousands of silver flags and kerchiefs waved from the windows of the hotels and wholesale houses high above the heads of the enthusiasts on the pavements. The Federal building had been transformed into a panorama of flags, bunting, evergreen and portraits of the hero of Manila.

The Women's Reception Committee escorted Mrs. Dewey to the Auditorium Annex, where she enjoyed a rest before partaking of the luncheon prepared in honor of herself and her distinguished husband. The escort provided for the latter, however, insisted that he be given a taste of the welcome in the Auditorium and half a platoon of police and a band of forty musicians, the Admiral was driven to the hotel. He acknowledged the cheers by lifting his silk hat and smiling to the men and women who hustled upon crowding about his carriage.

Sixteen men who formed the organization known as the Anti-Square Society, much attention from the crowds. These men served with Dewey's fleet in the battle of Manila. Upon their arrival at the Annex they were given an opportunity to grasp the hand of their former chief, and the Admiral seemed to enjoy the formality.

After an elaborate luncheon had been dispensed, the Admiral received a committee of Canadians, who invited him to visit Hill Crest, Ontario, during the earlier part of his stay.

The Admiral received numerous other callers during the afternoon. At 5 o'clock to-night he held a reception on the floor of the ballroom in the Auditorium Annex for an hour later the grand naval, military and civic ball in honor of the Admiral and Mrs. Dewey began. To-morrow's parade will be the principal feature of the Admiral's visit.

Cannon Roared a Welcome.
Amid the booming of cannon and the cheers of hundreds of people, Admiral George Dewey, arrived in Chicago to-day. For the next three days he will be the guest of this city, and this city will give him a grand and a magnificent welcome.

The special train bearing the Admiral and Mrs. Dewey, Lieutenant Caldwell, his secretary, and Lieutenant Crawford, was met near South Chicago by a special train carrying the General Reception Committee, headed by Mayor Harrison and Mrs. Arthur Catron, the Dewey celebration, and including Mayor Harrison, President Charles A. Plamondon, and the Admiral's son, George Goodwin Dewey.

The Admiral's train arrived at the Grand Central Depot, Fifth Avenue and Harrison street, six minutes ahead of schedule time. At 11 o'clock, a strong platoon of police had been stationed at the platform and for some time previous to the arrival of the special, and the immense crowd which had congregated in the streets surrounding the station and had packed almost suffocation the big depot building itself, was not allowed to go inside the train shed.

The moment the train slowly pulled into the shed, however, the white-mustached naval hero was seen, a roar of cheers went up from the fortunate ones inside the station, and the quickly taken up by the thousands in the streets.

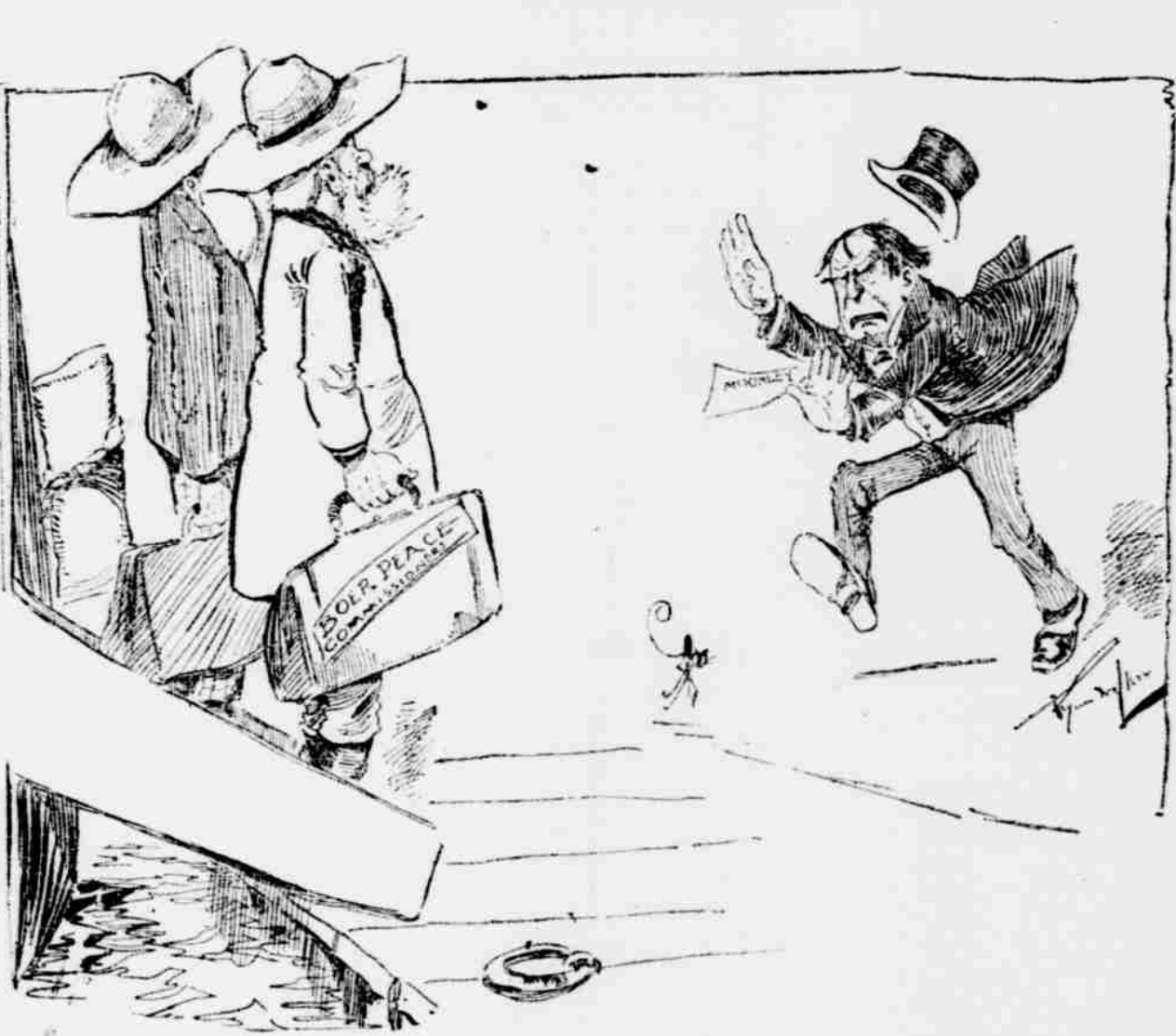
Escorted by the members of the General Reception Committee, Admiral Dewey and Lieutenants Caldwell and Crawford proceeded down the long platform and made the steps leading to the driveway, where carriages were in waiting. Even under the vigorous pressure of the police the immense crowd would have easily spilled into the room for the carriages, but cheered continually, and pressed closer. The police finally succeeded in clearing the street and the party proceeded down the driveway, en route for the Auditorium Annex, where apartments overlooking Lake Michigan had been reserved.

Mrs. Dewey Cared For.
Mrs. Dewey, who was somewhat fatigued from the long journey from Washington, did not accompany Admiral Dewey on his ride through the downtown streets, but accompanied by the special committee of the Woman's Reception Committee, Mrs. Byron Lathrop, Mrs. Carter H. Harrison and Mrs. Charles A. Plamondon, went direct to the Annex, where she rested until the arrival of Admiral Dewey.

Leaving the Grand Central Station the order of the escort to Admiral Dewey and party was as follows:
Band of Police.
Major R. F. Alsop and staff, commanding. Escort.
First Cavalry, I. N. G.
Guard of honor, Illinois Naval Reserve Veterans Association.
Carriage containing Admiral Dewey, Mayor Harrison and Charles A. Plamondon.
Carriages containing Lieutenant Caldwell, Lieutenant Crawford and members of the Chicago committee.

As the escort approached the elevated railway loop, at Fifth Avenue and Jackson boulevard, a member of the signal corps waved a signal to the different elevated train stations, and all the trains on the loop stopped running until the carriages and escort passed under the structure. This was done in order to prevent possible runaway accidents.

The route to the Annex by along Fifth Avenue to Jackson boulevard, thence down Michigan Avenue to the hotel, along those streets for hours before the arrival of Admiral Dewey were gathered crowds that literally packed the sidewalks and that kept the police busy from filing the streets also, and the cheering started at the depot swept along the streets in the Admiral and his party were slowly driven to their



McKINLEY: "GO BACK! DON'T COME HERE UNTIL AFTER ELECTION!"

ST. LOUIS READY FOR DEWEY.

The final arrangements for the reception and entertainment of Admiral Dewey and party Thursday and Friday and Saturday have been completed. The hotel committee, which will see to all the personal wants of the party will meet this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Mercantile Club. The Executive Committee will also meet this afternoon at the Business Men's League at 4 o'clock.

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KANSAS CITY MAY LOSE A CONVENTION.

Chairman Cook Considers Auditorium Too Small for State Delegates.

STATES HIS VIEWS PLAINLY.

Says That Unless a Larger Hall Is Found, the Committee Will Be Called Together to Act.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.
Kansas City, Mo., April 29.—Chairman Sam B. Cook and Secretary Virgil Connelley of the Democratic State Central Committee were to have held a conference to-night with the local committee having in charge the arrangements for the Democratic State Convention to decide as to the place for holding it. Mr. Cook did not return from Liberty, where he went to attend the "City County Democratic Convention," until late, however, and the conference was continued until to-morrow. Mr. Cook expressed himself to-night as very dubious about the prospects for holding the convention in Kansas City.

"If you have nothing better to offer than the Auditorium," he said, "then I shall feel it my duty to call the State Committee together to take action in the matter. And if you have nothing better to offer the committee when it meets than the same Auditorium, it is altogether probable that the convention will be taken to St. Louis and held in the Coliseum."

"We have always had more or less complaint from delegates about hall accommodations, and we do not wish to invite more this year by trying to hold the convention in a theater, of which the boxes, stage and pit combined are not sufficiently large to accommodate merely the delegates proper. We voted to come to Kansas City, but that was when you had a convention hall. Now it is up to you to furnish adequate accommodations or we shall have to go elsewhere."

The local committee has made arrangements for holding the convention in the Auditorium, and declares that it is large enough to accommodate the convention. The plan of putting up a great tent has also been broached, and if Chairman Cook remains obstinate in his opposition to the Auditorium, he will probably be asked to approve the tent scheme.

MRS. HUNTER A SUICIDE.

She Was a Daughter of the Late Congressman Burnes.

Leavenworth, Kan., April 29.—A special to the Leavenworth Times from Platte City, Mo., says:
"The tragic death of Mrs. Bessie Vesta Hunter, daughter of the late Congressman Burnes of Platte City, Mo., has come to light here.
"Mrs. Hunter shot herself with a revolver last Friday night at the home of her sister, Mrs. Koster, in Platte City. It is reported that despondency over her separation from her husband, an attorney of Sedalia, was the cause of the deed. Mrs. Hunter was a well-known social woman. Of late she had been in ill health, together with her separation, is supposed to have led to the rash deed. The Burnes family are among the wealthiest and most respected people of Missouri."

DEWEY'S COUSIN'S OPINION.

Says the Admiral Does Not Expect the Nomination.

Minneapolis, Minn., April 29.—A special to the Times from Tacoma, Wash., says:
"Admiral Dewey, cousin of Admiral Dewey, is here gathering data as a special agent of the Government Department of Labor Statistics. He to-day expressed the opinion that Admiral Dewey will not be nominated for President. Judging from personal letters received from him, he believes Admiral Dewey does not dream of being elected President on any ticket. He thinks that Admiral Dewey has been unwisely making use of his gold Democratic friends in an attempt to defeat Bryan."
"Admiral Dewey believes that imperialism and useless sacrifice of American lives in the Philippines will defeat President McKinley's re-election."

BRYAN FRAMES THE PLATFORM.

Democratic Leader Gives His View of the Work of the Convention.

Believes Senate's Gold Majority May Be Wiped Out by Next Election and That Therefore Silver Is a Live Issue.

BY JAMES CHERILMAN.
REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.
Port Huron, Mich., April 29.—With the Democratic party uniting all over the country, with the nomination for President already assured beyond the faintest shadow of doubt, Mr. Bryan to-day began his last week of campaigning before the meeting of the convention that will nominate him at Kansas City, and he was received here like a hero.

This afternoon he made a short speech to the Democratic Congressional Convention, and to-night he delivered an oration in response to the written invitation of the Republican Common Council and Mayor of Port Huron.

To-morrow the Democratic State Convention of Michigan will receive the Chicago platform and will instruct its delegates to the National Convention to vote for Mr. Bryan.

But the most important thing which the leader of the Democratic party did to-day was to utter to the country his opinion regarding the money plank in the platform to be adopted at Kansas City. This declaration ends forever the controversy between the conservative Democrats of the East and the rest of the party. No one can doubt that the platform will accord with Mr. Bryan's expressed wishes. He, the undisputed leader of the party, his nomination is absolutely certain, and an overwhelming majority of the delegates to the National Convention look to him for guidance in policy. On the other hand, Democratic leaders like ex-Senator Hill look to him for influence to procure a compromise.

Waiting for the Signal.
The whole party has been waiting for a signal from the leader to give a signal. To-day he gave that signal. What he said was deliberately, thoughtfully, slowly and with a full realization of the political effect his words would have. I asked him to make a definite statement on the money plank of the platform that would clear the atmosphere. I have never seen him more earnest, more full of a profound realization of the political condition confronting him and I lay stress on this point in order to convey clearly the fact that what Mr. Bryan said to-day represents his unchangeable purpose.

"Will the Chicago platform be reaffirmed at Kansas City?" I asked.
"It certainly will be reaffirmed," replied Mr. Bryan.

Will any change be made in the Chicago platform by the committee? Mr. Bryan's words are coming back into the party.

"No," the Democrats who are coming back must not expect a single departure to be made from the platform that was adopted in 1896. First, because the position taken then was right; second, it would not be wise to allow the army of Mr. Hill and his 1896 in order to beseech those who were then against us.

How They May Come Back.
Mr. Bryan stopped for a moment. He seemed to feel that he was making a statement that would have a serious effect. The old lion came into his face, the look he used to have when he led the disorganized Democracy against the disciplined and equipped army of Mark Hanna in 1896. The gold Democrats who come back, he said, can defend their coming on one of two grounds. They can say that they are convinced that the money plank of the party in 1896 was right, and that they were wrong, or they can say that because of the new questions which have arisen, and which will not admit of Mr. Hill's platform, they are now willing to accept

"The Republican party has made a mistake in not accepting the money plank of the platform," he said, "but the Republicans have the President, the Senate and the House of Representatives. If ever they intend to act, the plutocrats must do it. They have full power. If they do not act against the trust now, at the beginning of a presidential campaign, how can we expect them to act after the campaign is over?"

Mr. Bryan leaves at daybreak for Columbus, Mo. During his visit here to-day a large number of gold Democrats were met by McKinley in 1896 called upon Mr. Bryan and assured him of their unswerving support.

ROOT'S SPEECH EXPLAINED.

Germany Is Negotiating With Denmark for the Danish West Indies.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.
New York, April 29.—The Times says this morning that an explanation is now forthcoming, backed by an official report and signed by original documents, for the sensational statement by Secretary Root at the Grant dinner last Friday night, at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. This explanation shows that the Secretary of War had in view the future of the Danish West Indies, and that the negotiations were not yet completed, as has been in progress. The parties interested include Henry H. Rogers, a director of the Standard Oil Company, certain officers of the Danish Government and some high German functionaries.

What led up to Secretary Root's outburst is told in an official report submitted to the Danish Government by Captain W. von Christman, Director of the Danish Navy. The report states that the Danish Government is negotiating with the United States for the purchase of the Danish West Indies, and that the negotiations are not yet completed.

While the negotiations were in progress, the interference of Rogers, Germany at once became active. Between its Ambassador at Washington and the Danish Government, the Standard Oil Company has been fully informed of the state of the negotiations between Denmark and the United States.

It has been said by those who are close to the negotiations that the Standard Oil Company will not allow the United States to purchase the Danish West Indies as a bar to the Standard Oil Company's policy of securing the islands for that country. He will maintain that he has already given all the islands to that country, and that he has already given a number of times to sell the islands to the United States and every time the negotiations have fallen through on account of the failure of Congress to ratify the agreement.

NINETEEN KILLED.

Americans Surrounded and Besieged by Filipinos.

Manila, May 1.—From Major Gilmore of the Forty-third Volunteers, who is at Calabayan, Samar, comes the report that a detachment of his battalion was besieged for five days by Filipinos. Nineteen Americans were killed. When word reached Major Gilmore of the position of his men, he made a forced march, relieving the forces and dispersing the insurgents.